THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). The All Manipur Students Union has been carrying on an agitation in supports of the demand for inclusion of Manipuri language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution. The agitation has, inter-alia, opposed the screening of Hindi films in cinema houses hiring/lending of Hindi movie cassettes and teaching of Hindi in schools.

(d) It is the endeavour of the Government to develop the cultural and literary heritage of all the languages irrespective of their inclusion in the Eighth Schedule or not.

Development of Central Security Forces in Punjab

1466. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the strength of the Security Forces deployed by the Union Government in Punjab for Fighting terrorism and guarding the border;

(b) the strength of the additional Central Security Force deployed for providing security to candidates contesting in the election as well as the members of their families and also to maintain law and order during the election process; and

(c) the cost of maintenance of the additional force per day?

THE MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Adequate security forces have been deployed in Punjab by the Union Government for assisting the State Government in tackling terrorism and for guarding the border.

(b) Adequate additional security forces were deployed to provide security to candidates contesting in the election as well as to the members of their families, and also to maintain law and order during the election process.

(c) According to the existing instructions, the State Governments have to reimburse expenditure on the Armed Police Battalions loaned to them @ Rs. 1.50 crore per Battalion per year.

[*Translation*]

Green Revolution

1467. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Agricultural Research Institute proposes to initiate research programmes to extend the green revolution to new areas thereby boosting the export potential of the agricultural sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). Sir, the Indian Agricultural Research Institute has identified Basmati Rice, Durum wheat and fruits such as Mango, Banana, Guava and Sapota for taking up research programmes to boost export in the agricultural sector.

Allocation made to Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izat Nagar

1468. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minster of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izat Nagar during each of the last three financial years;

(b) whether these funds were fully utilized;

(c) if not the reasons therefor; and

(d) the amount allocated for 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). Sir, the funds allocated and utilised during the last three years are given below:

(*in lakhs*)

Year	*Amount allocated*	*Amount utilised*
1988-89	1135.00	1150.78
1989-90	1416.00	1416.22
1990-91	1500.00	1429.22

(c) During 1990-91 Rs. 70.78 lacs could not be utilised due to non-completion of codal formalities.

(d) Rs. 1570.00 lakhs.

[*English*]

Supply of Natural Gas to Anand and Nadiad in Gujarat

1469. DR. K.D. JESWANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government for supply of Natural Gas to Anand and Nadiad in Gujarat State; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government so far?

THE MINSTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). Natural gas is being supplied to Amul Dairy in Anand. No allocation of natural gas has been made to any unit in Nadiad.

Ban on use of DDT

1470. PROF. UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several countries have banned the use of DDT in their respective countries;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to ban the use of DDT and such other pesticides in India also; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Government has set up an Expert Committee to review the continued use in India of pesticides data either banned or restricted for use in other countries. The Government have accepted and implemented the recommendations on DDT and 14 other pesticides.

The action taken in respect of DDT through a Notification dated 26th May, 1989 includes:

(i) The use of DDT in Agriculture has been withdrawn. Invery special circumstances warranting the use of DDT for Plant Protection work the States or Central Government have